HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

A RESOLUTION congratulating the members and directors of the Paoli High School Band on the occasion of their 14th Marching Band State Championship.

Whereas, The talent and efforts of the student members of the Paoli High School Band, along with the hard work, inspiration, and organization of the adult staff and volunteers, has produced outstanding achievements for this Indiana high school marching band, namely seven championships in the last eight years and 11 championships in the last 14 years;

Whereas, In October 2003, the Pride of Paoli High School

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Band was awarded its 14th Marching Band State Championship at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis;

Whereas, The 2003 championship marked the 20th anniversary of Paoli High School's first state marching band championship;

Whereas, Paoli High School band director William C. Laughlin and assistant band director Anita Gayle Laughlin have worked tirelessly to help these young musicians achieve their current level of excellence;

Whereas, Band Director William C. Laughlin has been at the helm of the Paoli High School Band for 11 state championships and assistant band director Gayle Laughlin has been involved in 12 state championships;

Whereas, Jerry Stroud has been a dedicated supporter of the Paoli High School Band through 14 championships and in many different phases of his life, as a Paoli High School teacher, band parent, bus driver, and principal;

Whereas, Throughout these years, Jerry Stroud's dedication to and support for the band has never faltered;

Whereas, The senior members of the Paoli High School Band, most of whom have earned five championships in their marching band career, have contributed superior leadership, dedication, and patience and have, by their example, been fine examples for the other members of this outstanding program;

Whereas, The discipline, efforts, and developed talents achieved by the members of the Paoli High School Band will remain valuable enhancements to the quality of their lives; and

Whereas, The remarkable achievements of the Pride of Paoli High School Band were enabled by the inspired leadership of band directors Bill and Gayle Laughlin and other staff, the organizational backing of the entire administration of the Paoli Community Schools, and the generous volunteer support

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provided by the parents, relatives, and friends of these champion students: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates the members of the Pride of Paoli High School Band for their talent, hard work, and success, and wishes them continued success in their future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors the band directors, staff, parents, and the community volunteers who have contributed to the success of the Pride of Paoli High School Band program.

SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of the Paoli High School Band, Director Bill Laughlin, Assistant Director Gayle Laughlin, and Principal Jerry Stroud.



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